

REMARKS

In response to the Office Action dated August 31, 2005, reconsideration of the objections and rejections are respectfully requested. The withdrawal of the previous grounds of rejection is noted with appreciation.

Claim 15 was objected to on the grounds that it does not explicitly state that the program is executed in a computer. In response thereto, claim 15 has been amended to explicitly recite that the program causes a computer to execute the steps set forth therein.

Claims 1-14 were rejected under the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. §112. The Office Action states that the preamble of claim 1 recites a method for scheduling a project, but that the body of the claim does not recite a scheduling step. Applicant respectfully traverses this assertion. Claim 1 recites a number of steps, the last of which is "setting the start time for the project...." It is respectfully submitted that the setting of a start time constitutes a scheduling step. For example, Webster's New Collegiate Dictionary defines the term "scheduling" as "to appoint, assign, or designate for a fixed time."


Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the claim is complete, and therefore definite. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance, and a notice to that effect is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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